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1 **THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

2 **SPECIAL MEETING: BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS**

3 **WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2011, 9:30 A.M.**

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE MAY 11TH, 2011 MEETING OF THE
8 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON THE BUDGET PUBLIC HEARINGS WILL BEGIN
9 AT THIS TIME. AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS ON HER WAY. AND SO WE
10 WILL BEGIN AT THIS TIME. AND WE- OUR FIRST SPEAKER IS OUR
11 SHERIFF, SHERIFF LEE BACA.

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13 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** OKAY, THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF
14 THE BOARD. I APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK THAT HAS BEEN DONE BY
15 YOUR OFFICES AND MY STAFF AND MR. FUJIOKA AND HIS STAFF. AS
16 YOU KNOW, WE DON'T NEED TO REMIND OURSELVES, BUT I'LL STATE
17 THAT AT THE STATEWIDE BUDGET PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN SIGNIFICANT TO
18 ALL LOCAL MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS. AND AT THE SAME TIME THAT
19 WE'VE EXPERIENCED REVENUE REDUCTION IN THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS,
20 THERE APPEARS TO BE AN UPWARD TREND IN THE LAST QUARTER OR TWO
21 OF WHAT OUR REPORTS INDICATE IN THE WAY OF COUNTY DOLLARS
22 RISING. AT THE SAME TIME, WE HAVE NOT COMPLETED THE FOURTH
23 QUARTER OF THE FISCAL REPORTING PROCESS; HOWEVER, AS A MATTER
24 OF RECORD, THE LAST BOARD MEETING ON THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
25 BUDGET REQUIRED THAT THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE AND THE SHERIFF'S



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1 OFFICE CONTINUALLY MEET TO TRY TO FIND WAYS TO RESTORE SOME OF
2 THE LOSSES TO THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S BUDGET. WE ARE AT THE LAST
3 QUARTER OF ESSENTIALLY WHAT COULD BE DESCRIBED AS A SIX-
4 QUARTER FISCAL REDUCTION PLAN TO REDUCE THE 128 MILLION
5 DOLLARS OF SPENDING WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BUDGET.
6 THAT SPENDING REPRESENTS 70 PERCENT OF ALL THE COUNTY-WIDE
7 CUTS THAT WERE DONE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2010-11; AND IN
8 THAT REGARD, WE LOST 500 DEPUTY SHERIFF POSITIONS. AND IN
9 ORDER TO CONTINUE THE REDUCTION, WE, ON A WEEKLY BASIS, MOVE
10 1,400 PEOPLE FROM VARIOUS NON-24/7 POSTS AND PUT THEM ON THE
11 24/7 POSTS EVERY WEEK. AND THAT HELPS US REDUCE COSTS IN A
12 VARIETY OF WAYS, INCLUDING OVERTIME. THAT'S SIGNIFICANT IN
13 TERMS OF HUMAN TOLL AND IT'S ON RECORD AND YOUR STAFF AND MY
14 STAFF HAVE BEEN DISCUSSING ALL THIS. NOTHING NEW, BUT IT DOES
15 REMAIN TO BE RESOLVED. THIS CAN'T GO ON INDEFINITELY RUNNING A
16 MAJOR COUNTY DEPARTMENT THAT WAY. SO THE C.E.O. AND I ARE
17 CONTINUING TO WORK ON THE 52.2 RECOMMENDED 2011-12 BUDGET CUT.
18 WE BELIEVE THAT THAT CAN BE DONE. WE WANT TO WAIT UNTIL THE
19 END OF THE FISCAL YEAR TO ACHIEVE THAT. AND SO MY HOPE IS THAT
20 WHEN IT COMES AROUND AUGUST OR SO OR SEPTEMBER, THE
21 SUPPLEMENTAL RECOMMENDATION WILL BE TO RESTORE THE 52.2
22 MILLION DOLLAR RECOMMENDED CUT THROUGH OTHER REVENUE SOURCES.
23 I WANT TO ASK THAT THE UNINCORPORATED AREA BE CONSIDERED AS A
24 HIGH PRIORITY. AS YOU KNOW, I CHAIRED THE RENEWAL OF THE
25 UNINCORPORATED UTILITY TAX EFFORT. AND I BELIEVE THAT IN THAT



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1 RESPECT, THAT COULD REPRESENT ANOTHER POSSIBLE WAY OF HELPING
2 EQUALIZE AND ELIMINATE ANY FURTHER CUTS, EQUALIZE MY CURRENT
3 EFFORT; AND AT THE SAME TIME, NOT HAVE ADDITIONAL CUTS MADE.
4 SO THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR GUIDANCE AND YOUR PATIENCE IN HOW
5 THIS COUNTY IS MANAGED FISCALLY. I THINK THAT WE ARE STILL THE
6 GREAT MODEL OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, UNDOUBTEDLY IN
7 COMPARISON TO 50 STATES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES, THIS
8 BOARD IS OBLIGATED TO MANAGE MORE MONEY THAN 42 OF THOSE 50
9 STATES. I THINK THE PUBLIC SHOULD ALWAYS REMEMBER THIS POINT.
10 AND WE ARE NOT SINKING LIKE OTHER CITIES AND OTHER COUNTIES
11 THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. AND THAT'S BECAUSE OF THE
12 EXTRAORDINARY MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNTY TAXPAYER DOLLARS HERE
13 AND THE FACT THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS RATHER
14 CONSERVATIVE ON HOW IT DOES ITS MANAGING OF MONEY. THANK YOU
15 VERY MUCH.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE CUT LAST THE YEAR WAS
18 APPROXIMATELY, WHAT, 37 MILLION DOLLARS? THE YEAR WE'RE TALKING
19 ABOUT 15 MILLION WHICH COULD GO UP TO 52 IF LAST YEAR'S CUT IS
20 NOT BACKFILLED LIKE WE WERE ABLE TO DO IT LAST YEAR. IF THE
21 STATE FAILS TO ADOPT THE BUDGET AND TAKES OUT ADDITIONAL CUTS
22 TO THE COUNTIES IN THIS STATE, HOW WOULD YOU TAKE THE FULL 52
23 PLUS MILLION DOLLAR REDUCTION.

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1 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL IT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT. AS YOU
2 KNOW, MORE THAN HALF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET
3 INVOLVES CONTRACTS THAT ARE VULNERABLE TO COUNTY CUTS. THOSE
4 ARE REVENUES OUTSIDE COUNTY REVENUES THAT ARE BEING PUT INTO
5 THE DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET. IT WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY INVOLVE
6 UNINCORPORATED PATROL AND IT WOULD ALSO INVOLVE THE JAIL
7 ISSUES WITH CLOSING MORE JAIL BED SPACES.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BUT THE 15 MILLION DOLLAR PROPOSED
10 REDUCTION, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO CLOSE ANY ADDITIONAL BEDS IN THE
11 JAILS, RIGHT?

12

13 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** OH I WOULD YES IF WE HAVE TO ADD ANOTHER 52
14 ON TOP OF THE 28.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO, BUT IF IT WAS REDUCED TO ONLY 15
17 MILLION DOLLARS, NOT 52 MILLION. YOU JUST SAID 15 MILLION.

18

19 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** EVEN IF IT'S 15 MILLION DOLLARS OR 52
20 MILLION DOLLARS, WE ARE AT ROCK BOTTOM WHEN IT COMES TO ANY
21 FORMS OF FLEXIBILITY. IN FACT WHEN YOU MOVE 1,400 PEOPLE FROM
22 OTHER OBLIGATORY POSITIONS EVERY WEEK, ADD THAT UP, THAT'S
23 5,600 PEOPLE A MONTH MOVING AROUND, I DON'T KNOW OF ANY AGENCY
24 CAN DO 5,600 MOVEMENTS INTO EMERGENCY SPOTS THAT NEED TO BE
25 FILLED TO SAVE MONEY. I JUST THINK THAT ANY ADDITIONAL CUTS OF



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1 ANY LEVEL WILL RESULT IN CUTS IN UNINCORPORATED PATROL AND THE
2 JAILS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. NOW, IF THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL
5 TO PUT FELONS FROM THE STATE PENITENTIARY INTO COUNTY JAILS
6 WHO HAVE THREE YEARS OR LESS IN TIME LEFT AT THE STATE
7 PENITENTIARY, HOW ARE YOU GOING PAY FOR THOSE COSTS? BECAUSE
8 IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING IT'S NOT FULL FUNDING FROM THE STATE,
9 PLUS THE ADDITIONAL COSTS THAT WE WILL HAVE TO ASSUME, NOT
10 JUST YOUR DEPARTMENT, BUT MENTAL HEALTH, DRUG AND ALCOHOL
11 REHAB, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WHERE WE'VE BEGUN TO ASSUME THESE
12 COSTS ALONG WITH FUTURE LIABILITIES THAT MAY RESULT IN
13 FRIVOLOUS LAWSUITS AND OTHER TYPES OF LAWSUITS THAT WE'RE
14 STUCK WITH. SO HOW DO WE BALANCE THAT ADDITIONAL INFLUX OF
15 INMATES WITH THOSE THAT YOU HAVE NOW?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR COULD I JUST TAG ONTO THAT? BECAUSE
18 THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION. LET'S SAY THAT WE FIND A WAY TO TAKE
19 CARE OF THE 27 MILLION. YOU FIND A WAY TO TAKE CARE OF THE 50.
20 WHAT IF THERE WERE NO CUTS, HOW ARE YOU GOING TO BE ABLE TO
21 ADDRESS THE QUESTIONS THAT THE MAYOR ASKED? I MEAN WITHOUT-

22

23 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** SIMPLY THIS. THAT IN THE EVENT THAT A RE-
24 ALIGNMENT PACKAGE IS AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE, THE C.E.O. AND I
25 HAVE TALKED TO THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND I'VE TALKED TO THE



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1 GOVERNOR, AND THE GOVERNOR IS ON RECORD SAYING THAT HE CANNOT
2 REALIGN ANYTHING WITHOUT THE DOLLARS TO PAY FOR IT AND THAT A
3 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT WOULD GUARANTEE THE DOLLARS AS WELL
4 AS THE FACT THAT WHEN THE C.E.O. AND I LOOKED AT THE DOLLARS,
5 WHAT'S AMAZING IS THAT TO INCARCERATE ONE INMATE IN THE STATE
6 PRISON SYSTEM IS A \$50,000 PER YEAR FUND ALLOCATION PER
7 INMATE. WE'RE OPERATING UNDER 35,000 DOLLARS ON A PER ANNUAL
8 BASIS FOR AN INMATE. THE GOVERNOR'S PLAN IS TO GIVE US 50,000
9 DOLLARS NOT 35 OR LESS THOUSAND DOLLARS. WE WILL ACTUALLY HAVE
10 A NET REVENUE GAIN THAT I ALLUDED TO LAST TIME I WAS BEFORE
11 THE BOARD. AND THE ADDITIONAL DOLLARS ARE MORE THAN AMPLE TO
12 DO A NUMBER OF THINGS, INCLUDING A LONG-TERM SOLUTION TO BUILD
13 ADDITIONAL BEDS AS WELL AS HAVE EXTRA REVENUE TO ENHANCE
14 WHATEVER WE DO WITH OUR CURRENT FACILITIES.

15
16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** EXCEPT THOSE REVENUES DON'T TAKE INTO
17 ACCOUNT MENTAL HEALTH, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, DRUG AND ALCOHOL
18 REHABILITATION PROGRAMS AND LIABILITY ISSUES THAT OUR COUNTY
19 COUNCILS AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND PUBLIC DEFENDER WOULD BE
20 INVOLVED WITH.

21
22 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, THAT'S TRUE IN CIRCUMSTANCES EITHER
23 WAY. I MEAN THOSE COSTS HAVE BEEN BORN BY THE COUNTY BECAUSE
24 OF THE NATURE THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM WORKS INDEPENDENT OF
25 RE-ALIGNMENT OR NOT. AND THE RE-ALIGNMENT IS NOT DEALING WITH



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1 QUOTE "PURELY STATE PRISONERS." IN FACT, THE STATE PRISONERS
2 ARE COUNTY PRISONERS WHO CAME THROUGH THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE
3 SYSTEM IN OUR COUNTY, WHICH WE'RE OBLIGATED TO PAY NO MATTER
4 WHAT.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RIGHT. BUT ALSO IN THE WHAT IS THE YOU
7 HAVE FROM THE WHAT IS THE TERM? WITH THE PAROLE VIOLATORS
8 WE'RE NOW PUTTING IN BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR? THERE'S
9 APPROXIMATELY A 10 MILLION DOLLAR HIT TO THE SHERIFF'S
10 DEPARTMENT IN THAT CURRENT OPERATION. AND IT'S NOT BEING
11 REIMBURSED.

12

13 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THE PAROLE SYSTEM IS DOING WHAT IT TYPICALLY
14 HAS DONE. THERE HAS BEEN NO OBLIGATORY FINANCIAL COSTS BY THE
15 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT OR WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO
16 DEAL WITH ANYTHING CURRENTLY. ALL OF THE DISCUSSIONS ABOUT RE-
17 ALIGNMENT IS NOT AN ACTIONABLE ITEM AT THE PRESENT TIME. NON
18 REVOCABLE PAROLE, WE'RE HAVING TO ASSUME THOSE COSTS WHICH IS
19 10 MILLION DOLLARS AND I FORGOT WHAT THE TOTAL AMOUNT IS, BUT
20 WE'RE NOT BEING REIMBURSED BY THE STATE FOR THOSE COSTS.

21

22 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL THE PAROLING MODEL THAT IS CURRENTLY IN
23 PLACE FOR NON REVOCABLE PAROLE, THE STAFFING THAT THE PAROLE
24 DEPARTMENT HAS TODAY IS STILL HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.



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1 THERE REALLY HASN'T BEEN A COST SHIFTING TO THE COUNTY ON NON
2 REVOCABLE PAROLE PROBLEMS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BUT THE COSTS THAT WE GET FROM THE WAS
5 IT THE C.E.O.'S BILL WHO PROVIDES THAT INFORMATION TO US? IT'S
6 A SIZABLE AMOUNT, NOT JUST THE SHERIFF, WHICH IS ABOUT A 10
7 MILLION DOLLAR FIGURE, JACKIE HAS THAT INFORMATION.

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE TOTAL COST THE INFORMATION IS OBTAINED
10 FROM MULTIPLE DEPARTMENTS THAT WE TRANSMIT TO YOUR BOARD.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RIGHT. BUT I THINK THE SHERIFF'S
13 DEPARTMENT WAS ABOUT 9.8 MILLION DOLLARS.

14

15 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I MEAN MR. MAYOR, I'M A LITTLE
16 LOST IN THIS DISCUSSION BECAUSE-

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, THE POINT I WAS TRYING TO MAKE
19 IS WE ARE HAVING TO ASSUME COSTS THAT ARE NOT BEING REIMBURSED
20 BY THE STATE. SO ON THE RE-ALIGNMENT, WHEN WE STATE THAT THE
21 CONSTITUTION SAYS YOU CAN'T DO THAT, THEY STILL DO IT BECAUSE
22 THEY STILL OWE US ABOUT A HALF A BILLION DOLLARS IN UNFUNDED,
23 MANDATED PROGRAMS THAT WE ASSUME.

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IN CONVERSATIONS THAT I KNOW, I UNDERSTAND
2 YOUR CONCERN WITH RESPECT TO RE-ALIGNMENT. IN CONVERSATIONS
3 THAT THE SHERIFF AND I HAVE HAD TOGETHER OR INDIVIDUALLY WITH
4 THE GOVERNOR'S FINANCE TEAMS, SPECIFICALLY THE FINANCE
5 DIRECTOR, THERE'S A STRONG COMMITMENT THAT THE PROGRAMS THAT
6 THE SHERIFF MENTIONED THAT ARE TARGETED FOR RE-ALIGNMENT WON'T
7 COME UNLESS FUNDING ACCOMPANIES THOSE PROGRAMS. AND SO THAT'S
8 SOMETHING WE'RE TRACKING VERY CAREFULLY BECAUSE WE, ESPECIALLY
9 OUR SHERIFF UNDERSTANDS THAT SHOULD THESE PROGRAMS COME
10 FORWARD WITHOUT ANY REIMBURSEMENT WHATSOEVER, HE AND WE AS A
11 COUNTY, THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE DO NOT HAVE THE WHEREWITHAL TO
12 PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES. BUT THERE IS A COMMITMENT THAT FUNDING
13 WILL COME.

14

15 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WE'RE PRETTY AGGRESSIVE UP THERE, IF I MAY,
16 MR. MAYOR, WITH THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND THE GOVERNOR. AND
17 HE'S ACQUIESCING TO OUR DEMANDS.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE COST IS 9.5 MILLION OF WHICH 9
20 MILLION IS THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND .5 MILLION ARE
21 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENTS. THOSE ARE THE COSTS.

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I DIDN'T HAVE THOSE FIGURES. I DIDN'T HAVE
24 THAT REPORT IN FRONT OF ME.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANYWAY SO I WAS JUST TRYING TO MAKE
2 THE POINT THAT WHILE IT IS IN THE CONSTITUTION THAT THEY CAN'T
3 DO THIS, THEY DO IT. AND WE'RE AT THE END OF THE FOOD CHAIN.
4 LIKE P.O.W.S WERE GIVEN ALL THE RED CROSS TREATMENTS: CARE,
5 FOOD EXCEPT AFTERWARDS YOU FIND ALL THE P.O.W.S WERE STARVED
6 TO DEATH.

7

8 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I UNDERSTAND.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BUT IN THE BOOK, IT SAID THEY WERE
11 BEING FED. ANY SUPERVISOR COMMENTS? SUPERVISOR KNABE?

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** ARE THE- THIS IS TO THE C.E.O. OBVIOUSLY
14 DISCUSSIONS HERE WITH THE SHERIFF, YOU'VE ASKED HIM FOR
15 ADDITIONAL CUTS. WE'VE HEARD THIS MORNING WHAT THOSE IMPACTS
16 WOULD BE. ARE WE ASKING THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS TO DO THE SAME
17 THING WITH REGARDS TO SAVINGS?

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ABSOLUTELY. WITH RESPECT TO THE CUTS OR WITH
20 RESPECT TO THE CARRYOVER DOLLARS? WHICH ONE?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** SAVINGS. THE INTERNAL SAVINGS. AS IT RELATES TO
23 THE \$10 MILLION PIECE.

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** A NUMBER OF DEPARTMENTS, WELL, IN TERMS OF THE
2 \$10 MILLION THAT THE SHERIFF HAS ASKED TO CARRY OVER FROM THIS
3 YEAR TO NEXT YEAR, THAT, YOU KNOW, RECOGNIZING WHAT THE
4 SHERIFF DID LAST YEAR AND WHAT HIS BUDGET HAS THIS YEAR AND
5 THE FACT THAT HE'S AT THE, I'LL CALL IT HE'S AT THE KIND OF A
6 MINIMUM FUNDING LEVEL, THAT'S SOMETHING WE FULLY SUPPORT. MOST
7 DEPARTMENTS, HOWEVER, WILL BE LOOKING AT WHAT THEY CAN CARRY
8 OVER ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS. AND WHEN WE PRESENT OUR
9 SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT, OUR SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET, WE'LL BE COMING
10 FORWARD TO YOUR BOARD WITH A RECOMMENDATION ON WHAT SHOULD BE
11 LEFT IN THE DEPARTMENT AND WHAT SHOULD BE CARRIED OVER TO
12 ADDRESS SOME OF OUR OTHER CRITICAL NEEDS.

13
14 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL IN THE PAST, LAST YEAR WE BACKFILLED THE 27
15 MILLION. SO WHERE ARE WE IN THAT PROCESS? I MEAN OBVIOUSLY
16 THAT DECISION WAS MADE NOT TO BACKFILL THIS PARTICULAR POINT.
17 IS THAT GOING TO BE PART OF THE DISCUSSION AT THE SUPPLEMENTAL
18 PIECE?

19
20 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ABSOLUTELY. WHAT I MENTIONED WHEN I PRESENTED
21 THE BUDGET IS THAT RECOGNIZING NOT ONLY THE PROBLEMS IN THE
22 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WE HAVE A COUPLE OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS
23 THAT HAVE SOME I THINK SOME VERY, VERY CRITICAL FUNDING
24 SHORTFALLS THAT COME SUPPLEMENTAL, ONCE WE CLOSE OUR BOOKS AND
25 WE IDENTIFY WHAT FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE, AND ALSO, HOPEFULLY BY



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1 THEN WE'LL UNDERSTAND WHERE THE STATE IS AT AND THE FEDERAL
2 GOVERNMENT, WE'LL BE COMING BACK TO YOUR BOARD WITH
3 RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO NOT ONLY CLOSE THAT GAP, BUT ALSO
4 WHAT WE NEED TO DO TO START REPLENISHING OUR CRITICAL
5 RESERVES.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN BECAUSE THERE'S TWO PIECES HERE. I MEAN
8 OBVIOUSLY THERE'S GOING TO BE OTHER DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE GOING
9 TO HAVE TO LOOK AT THEIR ISSUES, AS WELL, TOO.

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT WE DISTINCTLY HAVE A PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE FOR
14 THOSE OF US WHO HAVE VERY LARGE UNINCORPORATED POPULATIONS.
15 THIS COULD BE DRAMATIC. AND I'M JUST PUTTING ON THE TABLE THAT
16 I'VE GOT GRAVE CONCERNS AS IT RELATES TO THAT.

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AND I TOTALLY AGREE WITH THOSE CONCERNS. WE
19 DID- I DID STATE EARLIER IN THE BUDGET PRESENTATION THAT
20 SHOULD WE FIND THAT WE END THE YEAR ON A NOTE BETTER THAN WHAT
21 WE ANTICIPATE TODAY, THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE A
22 PRIORITY.

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA? SUPERVISOR
2 YAROSLAVSKY, ANY QUESTIONS? SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS? ANY
3 QUESTIONS? THANK YOU.

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5 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SHERIFF.

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** THANKS, SHERIFF.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. TEDDY DAVIS?

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13 **TEDDY DAVIS:** MAYOR ANTONOVICH, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, GOOD
14 MORNING. MY NAME IS TEDDY DAVIS I AM THE CHIEF ADVOCATE AT
15 S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721, A UNION THAT REPRESENTS MORE THAN 50,000
16 COUNTY WORKERS. THESE WORKERS HAVE PARTNERED WITH THE COUNTY
17 TO MAKE GOVERNMENT MORE EFFICIENT AND COST-EFFECTIVE. THEY
18 HAVE GONE WITHOUT RAISES TO HELP BALANCE THE BUDGET. IN FACT,
19 L.A. COUNTY HAS GOTTEN THROUGH THESE HARD ECONOMIC TIMES
20 WITHOUT A SINGLE LAYOFF OR FURLOUGH. BUT THIS COULD CHANGE IF
21 SACRAMENTO DOES NOT MAINTAIN CURRENT REVENUE. IF THE VEHICLE
22 LICENSE FEE IS NOT EXTENDED AT ITS CURRENT RATE, THE PROBATION
23 DEPARTMENT MAY BE FORCED TO LAY OFF 1,000 WORKERS. 1,000
24 LAYOFFS WOULD NOT ONLY HURT THE ECONOMY, IT COULD ALSO
25 JEOPARDIZE THE SAFETY OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. WITHOUT THESE



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1 WORKERS, THOUSANDS OF HIGH-RISK, JUVENILE OFFENDERS WOULD GO
2 UNSUPERVISED. PROBATION CAMPS WOULD CLOSE. COMMUNITY-BASED
3 PROGRAMS WOULD BE ELIMINATED. NOW, THIS DOESN'T HAVE TO BE THE
4 CASE. SACRAMENTO CAN CHOOSE TO PROTECT OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. WE
5 AT SEIU ARE WORKING TO CONVINCE THE LEGISLATURE THAT THIS
6 REVENUE IS NEEDED, BUT WE CAN'T DO IT ALONE. WE ASK THAT YOU
7 JOIN US. LET SACRAMENTO HEAR FROM YOU. IF EACH OF US DOES OUR
8 PART, WE CAN KEEP OUR NEIGHBORHOODS SAFE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
9 TIME.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU FOR
12 YOUR COOPERATION, TOO.

13

14 **TEDDY DAVIS:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE ONE PUBLIC SPEAKER, MR.
17 PREVIN? YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES, SIR.

18

19 **ERIC PREVIN:** GOOD MORNING.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GOOD MORNING.

22

23 **ERIC PREVIN:** MY NAME IS ERIC PREVIN AND I AM THE COUNTY
24 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND I HAVE REVIEWED THE BUDGET AND I
25 THINK THAT IT IS IMPRESSIVE, IN FACT, THAT THERE HAVE BEEN



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1 SOME REDUCTIONS GIVEN THE FACT THAT SO MUCH OF THE SERVICES
2 HAVE BEEN RETAINED. I LOOKED VERY CLOSELY AT THE ANIMAL CARE
3 AND CONTROL BUDGET. AND I NOTICED THAT THERE WAS AT THE VERY
4 BOTTOM SOMETHING CALLED "JUDGMENTS AND DAMAGES" AND THERE'S
5 ALSO THE SAME CATEGORY FOR MANY OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS,
6 INCLUDING COUNTY COUNSEL. AND THERE WAS SOMETHING LIKE 130,000
7 DOLLARS ALLOTTED FOR JUDGMENTS AND DAMAGES IN THE ANIMAL CARE
8 AND CONTROL BUDGET AND APPROXIMATELY 15,000 DOLLARS WHERE IT
9 WAS ALLOTTED IN THE COUNTY COUNSEL BUDGET. IN NOVEMBER, MS.
10 MOLINA, WHO I'LL WAIT ONE SECOND. NOVEMBER 30TH, WE HAD THE
11 ANNUAL COST LITIGATION REPORT. AND IT SEEMED TO BE THAT THERE
12 WAS MONEY THAT WAS ALLOTTED FOR JUDGMENTS AND DAMAGES IN THAT
13 BUDGET. DO THESE BUDGETS WORK TOGETHER? IS THE ANNUAL COST
14 LITIGATION BUDGET SEPARATE TO THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S BUDGET
15 COMPLETELY?

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'M NOT AWARE.

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19 **ERIC PREVIN:** 100 PERCENT SURE ON THAT? MR. FUJIOKA? THERE ARE
20 TWO BUDGETS THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT NOW. THE ONE IN FRONT OF
21 US WHICH IS THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR 2010- OKAY, WELL MY COMMENT
22 IS HOW DOES THE 15,000 DOLLARS IN JUDGMENTS AND DAMAGES THAT
23 IS STATED IN THIS BUDGET UNDER THE COUNTY COUNSEL LINE
24 INTERACT WITH WHAT I WAS DESPERATELY TRYING TO UNDERSTAND THE
25 COST LITIGATION REPORT'S VERSION OF THAT, WHICH SEEMED TO BE



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1 MUCH HIGHER, IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF I DON'T REMEMBER OFF THE
2 TOP OF MY HEAD, APPROXIMATELY 40 MILLION DOLLARS OR 50 MILLION
3 DOLLARS, MUCH OF WHICH WAS PAID TO ATTORNEYS IN FEES. SO
4 THAT'S ONE QUESTION. REGARDING THE ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL
5 BUDGET, I'VE ALSO COMPARED IT TO THE LOS ANGELES CITY'S ANIMAL
6 CARE AND CONTROL DEPARTMENT WHICH IS A PARALLEL AGENCY THAT
7 RUNS UNDER SIMILAR POWER BUT IT'S FUNDED BY THE CITY AS
8 OPPOSED TO THE COUNTY. AND AS I UNDERSTOOD IT, THEY ARE
9 RUNNING A FAIRLY TIGHT SHIP OVER THERE, MR. YAROSLAVSKY. AND I
10 WAS WONDERING IF WE COULD SET UP A TEAM TO SHADOW OR STUDY THE
11 PROTOCOL THAT THEY'VE ADOPTED REGARDING ANIMAL CARE AND
12 CONTROL. I NOTICED THAT BOTH THE COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE ANIMAL
13 CARE AND CONTROL BUDGETS HAVE MADE VERY SHORT OR MINOR SAVINGS
14 THIS YEAR.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MAKE YOUR CLOSING.

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18 **ERIC PREVIN:** BUT I WAS HOPING THAT BY STUDYING WITH OUR
19 PARTNERS IN ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL, WE MIGHT FIND SOME
20 EFFICIENCIES OR WAYS IN PARTICULAR WITH REGARD TO ONE OF MY-
21 SOMETHING THAT I COULDN'T FIND IN THE ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL
22 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY, WHICH HAD TO DO WITH THE COSTS TO THE
23 TAXPAYERS FOR HEARINGS REGARDING IMPOUNDMENT OF ANIMALS. THERE
24 WAS AN INCREASE OF SEVERAL HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS.



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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3 **ERIC PREVIN:** TO ACCOMMODATE THE IMPOUNDMENT OF ANIMALS, BUT
4 THERE WAS NO DESCRIPTION OF HOW MUCH MONEY IS BEING ALLOTTED
5 FOR THAT. AND IT CAN'T BE THE...

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. NOW WE WANT TO CALL UP MR.
8 SCHUNHOFF FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. JOHN, REGARDING THE
9 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, THE ESTIMATE THAT IT WILL STILL
10 HAVE A DEFICIT OF 12.8 MILLION DOLLARS AFTER TWO POTENTIAL
11 SOLUTIONS WHICH ARE STILL PENDING APPROVAL BY THE CENTER FOR
12 MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES AND DISTRIBUTIONS OF THOSE
13 FUNDS FROM THE BUDGET DESIGNATION ACCOUNT, COULD YOU PROVIDE A
14 FOLLOW-UP REPORT PRIOR TO AUGUST 15TH ON THE C.M.S. APPROVAL
15 STATUS OF THE SAFETY NET CARE POOL FUNDS AND THE MENTAL HEALTH
16 STATE PLAN AMENDMENT, WHICH ACCOUNTS FOR THE 51 MILLION
17 DOLLARS OF YOUR DEFICIT PLAN. AND THE REPORT WOULD INCLUDE A
18 DETAILED PLAN TO ADDRESS ANY REMAINING DEFICIT AFTER YOU HAVE
19 FINALIZED EXPENDITURES FOR 2010-2011?

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21 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** WE WILL, MR. MAYOR.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY QUESTIONS? THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
24 JOHN, THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT THE
2 BOARD RECEIVE AND FILE AND TAKE UNDER ADVISEMENT VARIOUS
3 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REQUESTS AND COMMENTS MADE DURING THE
4 PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS COMMENCING MAY 11TH; MAKE A FINDING
5 THAT A NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS WAS GIVEN IN
6 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 29080 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE, THAT
7 SAID HEARINGS COMMENCE ON MAY 11TH OF 2011 PURSUANT TO SAID
8 NOTICE AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 29081 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE,
9 MOVING THAT THE BOARD CLOSE THE PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS FOR
10 PURPOSES OF ORAL TESTIMONY, FINDING THAT THERE ARE NO PERSONS
11 WHO HAVE NOT BEEN GIVEN THAT OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD BUT TO
12 ALLOW A MAXIMUM PUBLIC INPUT, PERMIT ADDITIONAL WRITTEN
13 TESTIMONY AND REQUESTS TO BE FILED THROUGH THE CLOSE OF
14 BUSINESS MAY 20TH OF 2011; IN ADDITION, THE BOARD RECONFIRMS
15 THE BUDGET DELIBERATIONS WILL BEGIN ON MONDAY, JUNE 20TH, 2011
16 AT 9:30 A.M. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
17 SO ORDERED.

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